

to former President Ronald Reagan and his wife Nancy Reagan in recognition of their service to the Nation.

S. 2514

At the request of Mr. GRAMS, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2514, a bill to improve benefits for members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces and their dependents.

S. 2519

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2519, a bill to authorize compensation and other benefits for employees of the Department of Energy, its contractors, subcontractors, and certain vendors who sustain illness or death related to exposure to beryllium, ionizing radiation, silica, or hazardous substances in the performance of their duties, and for other purposes.

S. 2585

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the names of the Senator from New York (Mr. MOYNIHAN), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) were added as cosponsors of S. 2585, a bill to amend titles IV and XX of the Social Security Act to restore funding for the Social Security Block Grant, to restore the ability of the States to transfer up to 10 percent of TANF funds to carry out activities under such block grant, and to require an annual report on such activities by the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

S. 2586

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2586, a bill to reduce the backlog in the processing of immigration benefit applications and to make improvements to infrastructure necessary for the effective provision of immigration services, and for other purposes.

S. 2589

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2589, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to require periodic cost of living adjustments to the maximum amount of deposit insurance available under the Act, and for other purposes.

S. 2601

At the request of Mr. ASHCROFT, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. ABRAHAM) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. COVERDELL) were added as cosponsors of S. 2601, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from the gross income of an employee any employer provided home computer and internet access.

S. 2617

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2617, a bill to lift the trade embargo on Cuba, and for other purposes.

S. 2621

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2621, a bill to continue the current prohibition of military cooperation with the armed forces of the Republic of Indonesia until the President determines and certifies to the Congress that certain conditions are being met.

S. 2625

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. ASHCROFT), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) were added as cosponsors of S. 2625, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise the performance standards and certification process for organ procurement organizations.

S. CON. RES. 53

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. ABRAHAM) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 53, a concurrent resolution condemning all prejudice against individuals of Asian and Pacific Island ancestry in the United States and supporting political and civic participation by such individuals throughout the United States.

S. CON. RES. 113

At the request of Mr. MOYNIHAN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 113, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress in recognition of the 10th anniversary of the free and fair elections in Burma and the urgent need to improve the democratic and human rights of the people of Burma.

S. CON. RES. 118

At the request of Mr. HELMS, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) and the Senator from Michigan (Mr. ABRAHAM) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 118, a concurrent resolution commemorating the 60th anniversary of the execution of Polish captives by Soviet authorities in April and May 1940.

S. RES. 260

At the request of Mr. BOND, the names of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 260, a resolution to express the sense of the Senate that the Federal investment in programs that provide health care services to uninsured

and low-income individuals in medically underserved areas be increased in order to double access to care over the next 5 years.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 119—COMMENDING THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA FOR THE CONDUCT OF ITS PARLIAMENTARY AND PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

Mr. GORTON (for himself, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. SESSIONS) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. CON. RES. 119

Whereas the fourth Croatian parliamentary elections, held on January 3, 2000, marked Croatia's progress toward meeting its commitments as a participating state of the Organization on Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) and as a member of the Council of Europe;

Whereas Croatia's third presidential elections were conducted smoothly and professionally and concluded on February 7, 2000, with the landslide election of Stipe Mesic as the new President of the Republic of Croatia;

Whereas the free and fair elections in Croatia, and the following peaceful and orderly transfer of power from the old government to the new, is an example of democracy to the people of other nations in the region and a major contribution to the democratic development of southeastern Europe; and

Whereas the people of Croatia have made clear that they want Croatia to take its rightful place in the family of European democracies and to develop a closer and more constructive relationship with the Euro-Atlantic community of democratic nations: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that—

(1) the people of the Republic of Croatia are to be congratulated on the successful elections and the outgoing Government of Croatia is to be commended for the democratic standards with which it managed the elections;

(2) the United States should support the efforts of the new Government of Croatia to increase its work on refugee return, privatization reform, media reform, and further cooperation with the International Criminal Tribunal for Former Yugoslavia (ICTY) to set an example to other countries in the region;

(3) the Congress strongly supports Croatia's commitment to democracy and will give its full support to the efforts of the new Government of Croatia to fully implement democratic reforms;

(4) the United States should continue to promote Croatian-American economic, political, and military relations and to recognize Croatia as a loyal partner in south central Europe; and

(5) taking into consideration Croatia's contributions as a committed partner in the region, the Congress recommends establishing a strategic partnership with the Republic of Croatia and supports the serious consideration of Croatia's candidacy for membership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's Partnership for Peace program and its candidacy for accession into the World Trade Organization.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001

WARNER (AND OTHERS)
AMENDMENT NO. 3173

Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. LOTT, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. INHOFE, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. MURKOWSKI) proposed an amendment to the bill (S. 2549) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike sections 701 through 704 and insert the following:

SEC. 701. CONDITIONS FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAMPUS UPON THE ATTAINMENT OF 65 YEARS OF AGE.

(a) ELIGIBILITY OF MEDICARE ELIGIBLE PERSONS.—Section 1086(d) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:

“(2) The prohibition contained in paragraph (1) shall not apply to a person referred to in subsection (c) who—

“(A) is enrolled in the supplementary medical insurance program under part B of such title (42 U.S.C. 1395j et seq.); and

“(B) in the case of a person under 65 years of age, is entitled to hospital insurance benefits under part A of title XVIII of the Social Security Act pursuant to subparagraph (A) or (C) of section 226(b)(2) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 426(b)(2)) or section 226A(a) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 426–1(a)).”; and

(2) in paragraph (4), by striking “paragraph (1) who satisfy only the criteria specified in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (2), but not subparagraph (C) of such paragraph,” and inserting “subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) who do not satisfy the condition specified in subparagraph (A) of such paragraph”.

(b) EXTENSION OF TRICARE SENIOR PRIME DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.—Paragraph (4) of section 1896(b) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ggg(b)) is amended by striking “3-year period beginning on January 1, 1998” and inserting “period beginning on January 1, 1998, and ending on December 31, 2002”.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATES.—(1) The amendments made by subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 2001.

(2) The amendment made by subsection (b) shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
APPROPRIATIONS ACT 2001COLLINS AMENDMENTS NOS. 3174–
3178

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Ms. COLLINS submitted five amendments intended to be proposed by her to the bill (S. 2593) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes; as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 3174

On page 109, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 8126. Of the total amount appropriated by title II under the heading “AIRCRAFT PROCUREMENT, ARMY” for the procurement of C-212 short takeoff and landing, fixed-wing aircraft, \$15,000,000 may be used for the procurement of C-212 short takeoff and landing, fixed-wing aircraft for the Army National Guard for the use of Special Forces Groups of the Army National Guard.

AMENDMENT NO. 3175

On page 109, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 8126. In addition to other amounts appropriated by title IV under the heading “RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION, NAVY”, there is hereby appropriated for the purposes under that heading \$2,000,000: *Provided*, That such amount shall be available for continued design and analysis under the reentry systems applications program for the advanced technology vehicle.

AMENDMENT NO. 3176

On page 109, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 8126. In addition to other amounts appropriated by title IV under the heading “RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION, DEFENSE-WIDE”, there is hereby appropriated for the purposes under that heading \$6,000,000: *Provided*, That such amount shall be available for the initial production of units of the ALGL/STRIKER to facilitate early fielding of the ALGL/STRIKER to special operations forces.

AMENDMENT NO. 3177

On page 109, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 8126. In addition to other amounts appropriated by title IV under the heading “RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION, NAVY”, there is hereby appropriated for the purposes under that heading \$2,000,000: *Provided*, That such amount shall be available for the Marine Corps advanced technology demonstration program for the delivery of the prototype units of the ALGL/STRIKER for testing and evaluation by the Marine Corps that, except for this section, would otherwise be an unfunded requirement of the Marine Corps.

AMENDMENT NO. 3178

On page 109, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 8126. In addition to other amounts appropriated by title III under the heading “PROCUREMENT, DEFENSE-WIDE”, there is hereby appropriated for the purposes under that heading \$7,000,000: *Provided*, That such amount shall be available for the procurement of the integrated bridge system for special warfare rigid inflatable boats under the Special Operations Forces Combatant Craft Systems program.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001

MCCAIN AMENDMENT NO. 3179

Mr. MCCAIN proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 2549, *supra*; as follows:

On page 206, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

SEC. 610. SPECIAL SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE FOR MEMBERS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE FOOD STAMP ASSISTANCE.

(a) ALLOWANCE.—(1) Chapter 7 of title 37, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 402 the following new section:

“§ 402a. Special subsistence allowance

“(a) ENTITLEMENT.—(1) Upon the application of an eligible member of a uniformed

service described in subsection (b), the Secretary concerned shall pay the member a special subsistence allowance for each month for which the member is eligible to receive food stamp assistance.

“(2) In determining the eligibility of a member to receive food stamp assistance for purposes of this section, the amount of any special subsistence allowance paid the member under this section shall not be taken into account.

“(b) COVERED MEMBERS.—An enlisted member referred to in subsection (a) is an enlisted member in pay grade E-5 or below.

“(c) TERMINATION OF ENTITLEMENT.—The entitlement of a member to receive payment of a special subsistence allowance terminates upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

“(1) Termination of eligibility for food stamp assistance.

“(2) Payment of the special subsistence allowance for 12 consecutive months.

“(3) Promotion of the member to a higher grade.

“(4) Transfer of the member in a permanent change of station.

“(d) REESTABLISHED ENTITLEMENT.—(1) After a termination of a member's entitlement to the special subsistence allowance under subsection (c), the Secretary concerned shall resume payment of the special subsistence allowance to the member if the Secretary determines, upon further application of the member, that the member is eligible to receive food stamps.

“(2) Payments resumed under this subsection shall terminate under subsection (c) upon the occurrence of an event described in that subsection after the resumption of the payments.

“(3) The number of times that payments are resumed under this subsection is unlimited.

“(e) DOCUMENTATION OF ELIGIBILITY.—A member of the uniformed services applying for the special subsistence allowance under this section shall furnish the Secretary concerned with such evidence of the member's eligibility for food stamp assistance as the Secretary may require in connection with the application.

“(f) AMOUNT OF ALLOWANCE.—The monthly amount of the special subsistence allowance under this section is \$180.

“(g) RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR SUBSISTENCE.—The special subsistence allowance under this section is in addition to the basic allowance for subsistence under section 402 of this title.

“(h) FOOD STAMP ASSISTANCE DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘food stamp assistance’ means assistance under the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.).

“(i) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—No special subsistence allowance may be made under this section for any month beginning after September 30, 2005.”.

(2) The table of sections at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 402 the following:

“402a. Special subsistence allowance.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Section 402a of title 37, United States Code, shall take effect on the first day of the first month that begins on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(c) ANNUAL REPORT.—(1) Not later than March 1 of each year after 2000, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to Congress a report setting forth the number of members of the uniformed services who are eligible for assistance under the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.).

(2) In preparing the report, the Comptroller General shall consult with the Secretary of